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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: J. Kevyn Smith, et al.

SERIAL NO.: 09/975,161

FILED: October 11, 2001

TITLE: **REAL-TIME ON-LINE SENSING AND  
CONTROL OF MINERAL SCALE  
DEPOSITION FROM FORMATION  
FLUIDS**

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Group Art Unit: 2877

Examiner: Vincent P. Barth

Atty. Docket: 194-27668-US

**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.313(c)(3)  
WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE – ISSUE FEE PAID**

Commissioner for Patents  
Office Of Petitions  
P.O. BOX 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Attention: 313(c)

Dear Sirs:

1. Applicants petition that the above-identified application be withdrawn from issue. The issue fee was paid on August 20, 2003.
2. Applicants seek withdrawal from issue of this application to permit consideration of an information disclosure statement under § 1.97.
3. Applicants further tender a request for continued examination; the request is submitted herewith, along with the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and the cited art.
4. Applicants expressly abandon the present application in favor of the continuation application requested above.

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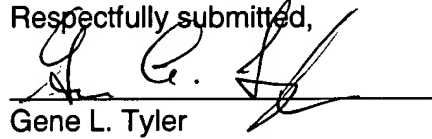
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5. A check is included for the petition fee of \$130.00 under 37 CFR § 1.17(h). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 02-0429 (194-27668-US).

Date: August 26, 2003

Respectfully submitted,



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